1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	Assam	3634.43	-1909.53	3552.40	357.88	5596.00	4907.72	5921.21
3	Manipur	2080.51	49.37	1688.54	100.79	2775.05	2208.38	2718.30
4	Meghalaya	731.67	0	2063.18	831.65	2399.28	1589.76	2904.45
5	Mizoram	680.28	275.72	1424.15	241.41	1347.59	1347.59	1283.49
6	Nagaland	1179.49	35.10	1187-58	1036.58	1816.03	1330.03	2845.22
7	Sikkim	201.07	21.98	189.50	48.72	324.24	324.24	220.20
8	Tripura	1735.30	-309.02	2015.97	491.48	1785.74	1785.74	1951.53
	TOTAL:	10844.98	2695.73	12668.86	3162.23	16733.12	14182.65	18298.99

Tribal status of Medana Community of A.P.

1465. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have called for any comments on the tribal status of the Medana Community of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the response of the public;

(c) the status of the demand of the Medana Community of Andhra Pradesh to be granted tribal status; and

(d) the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) No, Sir. However, a proposal to grant tribal status to the Medana community has been received.

(b) to (d) Does not arise, as there is no proposal for inclusion of the Medana community as a Scheduled Tribe.

Investment in plantations

1466. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to allow the private sector to invest in plantations to help restore degraded forest area;

(b) whether the rationale behind this move is that the private sector, unlike cash-strapped States , has the resources and organizational skills to reclaim the degraded forest land; and